(c) the achievement made by each State with regard to conservation of surplus water and exploitation of water resources ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to(c) There are three Centrally Sponsored Schemes being implemented by the Government of India with major component for increasing water resources for their exploitation. These Schemes are (i) Command Area Development Programme, (ii) Soil Conservation in the Catchment of River Valley Projects and Flood Prone Rivers, and the National Watershed Development Project in Rainfed Areas (both integrated into a new scheme named 'Macro Management of Agriculture' with effect from November 2000) and (iii) Accelerated Rural Water supply Programme. Year-wise and State-wise details of funds released under these schemes are given in Annexure (see Appendix 193. Annexure No. 22). In additon. the Integrated Rural Development Programme. Million Wells Scheme and Ganga Kalyan Yojana, which are now combined into Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana, and Rationalisation of Minor Irrigation Statistics and Employment assurance Scheme also provide incidental benefits to improve the availability of water reources. Central assistance to the States is provided on the basis of the approved funding pattern, budget provision made by the State Governments, approved norms and the performance under the concerned scheme.

Ravi-Beas Agreement

3967. DR MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rajasthan is getting its full share of water in accordance with the Ravi-Beas Agreement (1981), i.e. 52.7 per cent of the available surplus flow; and

(b) if not. the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and(b) Rajasthan is not getting 52.7% of the total share of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan in surplus Ravi Beas waters as per the agreement signed by the Chief Ministers of the three States on 31 -12-1981, as the agreement also provided that until such time as Rajasthan is in a position to utilize its full share. Punjab shall be free to utilize the waters surplus to Rajasthan’s requirements.